

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Blacksburg Middle School

Cherokee

Grades: 6-8 **Enrollment: 402**

Principal: Virgil Hampton

Superintendent: Dr. Quincie L. Moore

Board Chair: Mike Ellis

PERFORMANCE

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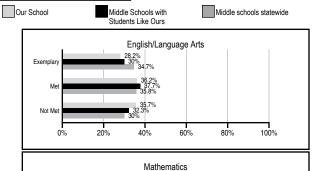
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL A	ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Average	Good	TBD	TBD	D	N/A
2012	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	В	N/A
2011	Average	Average	Silver	N/A	Not Met	N/A

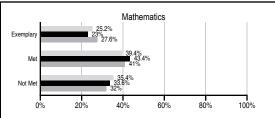
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

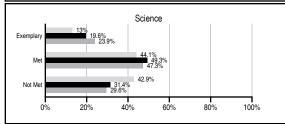
EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	8	47	6	0

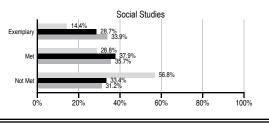
^{*}Ratings are calculated with data available by 01/15/2014. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

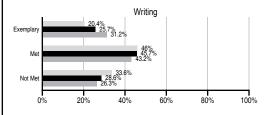
PASS PERFORMANCE











NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAFP Achievement Levels

READING – GRADE 8 (2011)						
South Carolina		28	45		25	2
Nation		25	43		29	3
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Proficient Advanced						
MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)						
South Carolina		30	38	2	5	7
Nation		28	39	2	6	8
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Proficient Advanced						
SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2011)						
South Carolina		39	32	2	27	1
Nation		36	32		29	2
			% Basic, Profic	iont and		

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013					
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours			
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	96.9			
English 1	N/A	96.2			
Physical Science	N/A	N/A			
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A			
All Subjects	100.0	96.9			

SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

Blacksburg Middle School [Cherokee] **SCHOOL PROFILE**

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=402)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	44.8%	Down from 52.8%	21.9%	24.6%
Retention rate	0.0%	No Change	0.8%	0.6%
Attendance rate	96.0%	No Change	95.6%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	17.5%	N/A	17.1%	18.5%
With disabilities	11.2%	N/A	13.9%	13.0%
Older than usual for grade	2.5%	N/A	5.9%	4.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.7%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	Down from 0.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=27)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	51.9%	Up from 46.2%	58.7%	61.5%
Continuing contract teachers	77.8%	Up from 73.1%	76.1%	77.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	86.0%	Up from 79.5%	84.9%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	94.7%	Down from 96.1%	94.7%	94.9%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,096	Up 5.0%	\$46,516	\$47,313
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	1.8%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	10.3 days	Up from 5.4 days	11.3 days	10.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	8.5	Up from 7.0	6.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.4 to 1	Down from 25.8 to 1	21.9 to 1	22.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.3%	Down from 91.8%	89.3%	89.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	87.7%	Down from 96.3%	98.3%	99.0%
Character development program	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,842	Down 7.3%	\$7,020	\$7,239
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	61.0%	Down from 62.2%	62.5%	63.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	60.0%	Down from 61.7%	59.5%	61.0%
ESEA composite index score	67.6	Down from 85.4	80.8	83.5

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	19	116	38
Percent satisfied with learning environment	89.5%	73.2%	81.6%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100%	80%	84.2%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	94.4%	85.2%	71%

^{*}Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Each year the faculty and staff strive to raise the academic, social, emotional, and physical development of each student to their greatest potential. We monitor the academic efforts of students, teachers, and parents by analyzing the data from district, state (PASS), and national (MAP) assessments. This year we began implementing the Common Core State Standards. Response to Intervention, after school tutoring, a student mentor program, and the Cherokee County Know(2) Initiative. In addition to academics, we encourage students to do their best in extra-curricular activities and assignments. The students at Blacksburg Middle School have been recognized for many of their accomplishments including five Junior Scholars, one Duke TIP student; additionally we had several award winning writers, artists, band students, and athletes. Thirty-eight students took the Algebra I End of Course and received passing scores. Also, the BMS Academic Challenge Team, Battle of the Brains Team, and Robotics Competition Team performed well in challenges and competitions.

Tina Toney was recognized as the Teacher of the Year. Angie Blanton was recognized as the Reading Teacher of the Year. We appreciate the hard work and dedication of all of our faculty, staff, parents, and community members. Every stakeholder has an important role to play in helping our students and school achieve the best.

Blacksburg Middle School strives to teach students about community service and the importance of being philanthropists. BMS is a Green Step School, focused on reducing our carbon footprint; our school and community collected tabs for the Shriners Hospital for Children; students, faculty, and staff participated in Operation Christmas Child (OCC) by collecting shoeboxes and volunteer services at the OCC collection center; as well as, raised money for Meals on Wheels and Relay for Life.

Blacksburg Middle School is committed to excellence in education. We are working diligently to ensure our students follow the 5R's: Respect, Responsible, Relationships, Ready, and Reliable.

Mrs. Tina Wright, School Improvement Council chairperson Mr. Virgil Hampton, Principal

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available.